

Reduce the number of persons readmitted to MSH within six months of a previous discharge.

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 Division: Addictive & Mental Disorders
 Program: Montana State Hospital

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Program or Project Description:

The Montana State Hospital (MSH) is the only state-operated inpatient psychiatric hospital. MSH provides treatment services to people admitted under civil procedures and criminal procedures. State law limits services to adults, 18 years of age or older.

Appropriation, Expenditure and Source					Approp & Expenditure numbers are as of August 29, 2008
Fund Name:	2008		2009		
	Approp.	Expended	Approp.	Expended	
General Fund	29,535,343	28,791,827	30,117,015	3,905,105	
State Special	505,101	422,963	427,063	0	
Federal Funds	0	0	0	0	
Total:	\$30,040,444	\$29,214,790	\$30,544,078	\$3,905,105	

Goal(s):

Achieve a 10% reduction in the number of persons readmitted to Montana State Hospital within six months of a previous discharge.

Performance Measures :

Baseline: in FY 07 134 of 682 admissions had been discharged within the previous six months.

2009 Biennium Significant Milestones:		Completion Dates	
		Target	Actual
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Performance Report:

For FY 2007 (July through March), there was a total of 103 readmissions to MSH. For FY 2008 (July through March) there was a total of 94 readmissions to MSH. New services intended to reduce admissions to the MSH have been implemented recently and have not impacted the number of MSH admissions as yet. We remain confident the new services, such as the 72 hour Crisis Stabilization and Support Program, will positively impact the number of admissions to MSH in the near future.

In FY08: 133 of 723 admissions (18.4%) had been discharged within the previous six (6) months. A 10% reduction in the number of people readmitted to Montana State Hospital was not achieved. Many variables affect readmission including the individual's psychiatric and physical health condition; eligibility for mental health services; living situation; relationships; etc.

LFD Narrative:

LFD ASSESSMENT - Progress Report Needed

DATA RELEVANCE - The data received is relevant to the outcome measures. Readmissions to MSH within six months was 18.4, in excess of the 10 percent goal.

APPROPRIATION STATUS - Appropriation/expenditure data was provided. The budget for the state hospital was listed.

OPTIONS - The workgroup could request an update at the November LFC meeting. The workgroup could also ask AMDD if it can identify more discreetly what might be driving the readmission rate.



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